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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of March 24, 1993,

 $_{\rm A}$  please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1 (twice amended). A method for the production of a function factor linding soluble recombinant protein having the characteristics of human tumor necrosis factor binding protein I (TBP-I), which comprises:

(i) transfecting many cells with an expression vector comprising a DNA molecule encoding the whole human type I TNF receptor [or a soluble domain thereof, and];

(ii) culturing the transfected cells, whereby the desired protein is produced and secreted into the medium; and (iii) recovering the desired protein from the medium.

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